

Lutherans and Other Denominations Holiness Bodies

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Review - Calvinism vs. Arminianism

John Calvin

Total Depravity
Unconditional Election
Limited Atonement
Irresistible Grace
Perseverance of the Saints

Jacob Arminius

Foreseen Predestination
Open Atonement
Cooperative Conversion
Unforced Grace
Severable Grace

Lutherans - God desires all to be saved and offers His grace freely. Although He foreknows who will be saved, He gives us free will to accept or reject His saving grace.

Review - John Wesley's Doctrine of Salvation

Universal Salvation

Do the best you can

Free Salvation

Have to know something's wrong to be a sin

All men contain some measure of deity

Full Salvation

The Perfected Christian

Sure Salvation

Holiness Movement

Sanctification

Sanctify (Funk & Wagnals) - 1. To set apart as holy or for holy purposes; 2. To purify or make holy

Wesley - Complete in the dramatic experience of a second work of grace given by God to the faithful

In this experience the believer attains Christian perfection which is displayed in "perfect love"

Other Protestants - The process where the justified Christian is made to correspond with God's holiness

Debate within Methodist Church over meaning of *Entire Sanctification*

entire and *instantaneous* (Conversion Experience) vs. *progressive* and *gradual*

Holiness Groups split away

Movement drew Holiness advocates in other churches

Left and formed their own independent churches & associations

Holiness Bodies - Three Groupings

Perfectionists

Baptism of Holy Spirit is "entire sanctification"

Pentecostals

Baptism of Holy Spirit is tongues (sometimes healing)

Evangelistic Associations

Dedicated to spreading the doctrine of entire holiness

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Characteristics of Holiness Bodies

Literalism

Okay to take Scripture out of context

Example - Practice foot washing

John 13:4-15

Example - Snake handling, poison drinking

Mark 16:17-20

Faith Healing

Christ came to heal our bodies also

Isaiah 53:5

Matthew 8:16-17

Premillennialism

Many Pentecostals believe in premillennialism

Christ will come to earth and rule for 1000 years, After this time he will judge the world

Legalism

Strive to live a holy life

Make many things sinful that the Bible permits

Emotionalism

Signs that a person has been baptized by the Holy Spirit

Some Pentecostals limit outbursts to tongues & healing

Holiness Doctrine

Typically Fundamental Arminian

Four Main Points

* Entire Sanctification is from an instant experience

A second definite work of grace in the heart, whereby we are cleansed from all sin.

Only those who are justified and walking in the favor of God can receive this grace.

* Baptism with Holy Ghost & fire

Yearn for a Second Pentecost

* Baptism of the Holy Ghost follows conversion

Perfectionist - A second work of grace

Pentecostal - Ecstatic experience, esp. tongues

* Christ's healing is also for the body (not all agree)

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Perfectionists

Charles Finney (1792-1875)

Presbyterian minister

Successful evangelist turned professor

Holy Spirit empowers and perfects the will of converted Christians to conform with God's will

Man inherits sin by his free choice - Conversion is man's personal surrender

Entire Sanctification immediately follows conversion

God removes all inbred sin from man in "Entire Sanctification"

Wesley taught that involuntary sins will remain

Bodies grew mainly out of the Methodist Church

Members of other Protestant bodies also moved over

Church of the Nazarene

Closely adheres to original Wesley ideology

The right wing of the holiness movement

Church of God (Anderson, Indiana)

Perfectionist, but desires to be non-denominational and governed at the congregational level

Wesleyan Church

Entire Sanctification is central

Church of Christ (Holiness)

Uses foot washing and faith healing, Episcopal (bishop) government

Pentecostals

Began as *Latter Rain* movement

Joel 2:28-29

Joel 2:23

Former rain was on Pentecost, *Latter rain* is at end of Christian era

1901 - Charles Parham

1/1/01 - Students began speaking in tongues during study of Acts

Tongues is the initial, physical evidence of baptism of the Spirit, it's inevitable accompaniment

1906-1909 - Azusa Street Revival

William Seymour

Movement spread via individuals and individual churches

Associations and denominations evolved

Emphasize charismatic gifts - esp. tongues & healing

All should yearn and expect a Second Pentecost - Baptism with Holy Ghost AND fire

Must have a Pentecostal experience to receive Entire Sanctification

Four-Square Gospel

Christ the Savior

Christ the Sanctifier

Christ the Healer

Christ the Coming King

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Pentecostal Groups

Church of God in Christ

1897 - Formed by Baptist ministers C. H. Mason & C. P. Jones

Rejected by Arkansas Baptist groups for over-emphasis on Holiness

Holiness is a pre-requisite to salvation

Practice baptism by immersion, the Lord's Supper, foot washing, tongues, healing

Assemblies of God

1914 - Joining of a group of churches and assemblies in Hot Springs, Arkansas

Baptism of the Spirit must be evidenced in tongues, All gifts of Spirit should exist in a normal church

Pentecostal Assemblies of the World

The oldest "oneness" or "Jesus Only" organization in US

Jesus-Unitarian theology - The "name" of the Father, Son and Spirit is *Jesus*

Goal is to spread the "Jesus Only" gospel message to the world

Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee)

1886 - Christian Union formed by Richard Spurling

1902 - Renamed Holiness Church

Blends orthodox Pentecostal themes with Pentecostal ideas and practices

tongues, premillennialism, foot washing, divine healing, condemns alcohol & tobacco

United Pentecostal

Evolved from Oneness Pentecostals - withdrew from Assemblies of God in 1916

Rejects cutting of women's hair, worldly amusements, home TV sets, immodest dress

Foursquare Gospel

1923 - Aimee Semple McPherson dedicated Angelus Temple in LA

Thousands flocked to meetings of her preaching and faith healings

Evangelistic Associations

Associations of churches formed for missionary work

Christian and Missionary Alliance

1882 - Originated by A. B. Simpson

1914 - One tenth left and formed Assemblies of God

Independent Assemblies of God (also called Philadelphia Churches)

Members have a Swedish background

Pentecostal Body Types

Holiness - Pentecostal (14 majors) - 3 stages of Christian experience (conversion, sanctification, baptism of HS)

Baptistic - Pentecostal (10 majors) - 2 stages of Christian experience (conversion, baptism of HS)

Unitarian (Oneness) Pentecostal (5 majors) - Deny the Trinity, Jesus Christ alone is God

Closing Prayer

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